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(C) The Dutch are eager to hear U.S. plans for Pakistan, including details on the travel of Special Envoy Holbrooke, new strategies, and assistance packages. MFA Pakistan desk officer Hidde Baars told poloff the Dutch expect to pledge at most 112 million euros at the upcoming Pakistan donors conference. (Note: this figure reflects a three-year funding plan reported in reftel. End note.) Although the Dutch have approved this spending level as a ceiling, they do not expect to make a public announcement. Moreover, they are waiting for project proposals from the government of Pakistan, the construction of their new embassy in Islamabad, and the proper staffing to administer the funds. In addition, the Dutch are seeking information on other donors' development plans to coordinate efforts. Baars noted there will be "no restrictions" on Dutch funding, except that Development Cooperation Minister Koenders will continue to monitor closely the political developments in Pakistan.  
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